IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
**	:	Examiner: Thomas J. Williams
ETIENNE DE FONTENAY ET AL.)	
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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of each cited document has been submitted herewith.

The concise explanation of relevance of Japanese documents JP 9-100861, JP 11-37206, JP 5-39819, JP 11-270606 and JP 2001-32877 may be found in the English abstracts attached thereto.

It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be considered by the Examiner, and that an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 be returned, indicating that the cited references have been considered.

Also, included with this submission is the required fee of \$180.00 to have this

Information Disclosure Statement considered.

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